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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on March 31, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because the status identifier for claim 3 indicates that the claim was previously presented, however, on line 4 of the claim it appears that the applicant is deleting the recitation "its". Therefore, the status identifier does not agree with the body of the claim. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory J. Strimbo", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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